RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : Yes. It has been ordered that the question of developing the Port cannot be taken up by Government unless satisfactory guarantees of minimum tonnage are forthcoming from importers and exporters.

Bridge at Poovar.

54. ***MR. M. KESAVA PANICKAR** (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are aware of the necessity for constructing a bridge at Poovar across the Neyyar river, in the Neyyattinkara taluk;

(*b*) whether there is any proposal for the construction of the bridge ; and

(*c*) how it stands at present ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The member is referred to question No. 71 in pages 488 and 489 of Vol. X No. 8 of the proceedings of the Sri Chitra State Council.

Statement, by community, of Ayurvedic Physicians in the State.

55. ***MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI** (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*) : Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement, by community, of Ayurvedic Physicians in the State ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : The *statement is laid on the table.

Scheduled rates of boat hire for the Alleppey Port.

56. ***MR. CODIVEETIL C. RAMAN KUNJU** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) when they last passed the schedule rates of boat hire for the port of Alleppey ;

(*b*) what are the schedule rates of the various commodities;

(*c*) whether the rates of boat hire now paid by landing agents and exporters are uniform for the various commodities to the different boat owners ?

MR. K. PARAMESVARA PANICKAR (*Secretary to Government*). (*a*) In October 1922.

(*b*) The member is referred to the rates published in the Travancore Almanac and Directory for 1937, pages 692 to 695.

(*c*) It is a matter of agreement between the landing agents or exporters and the boat owners or contractors.

Public holiday in commemoration of the Temple Entry Proclamation.

57. * **MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI** (*Tiruvalla*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have considered the desirability of making one day in every year a public holiday in consideration of the everlasting importance of the historic Temple Entry Proclamation ; and

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(*b*) whether they have taken any steps for making such a public holiday in commemoration of the Proclamation ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : (*a*) and (*b*) the matter is under consideration.

Contingent expenditure in the Secretariat.

58. ***MR. P. K. KUNJU** (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*) : Will the Government be pleased to state ;

(*a*) the quantity of kerosine oil ;

(*b*) petrol ; and

(*c*) the units of electricity consumed in the Secretariat in the year 1112 ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : (*a*) 17 tins and 4 bottles, (*b*) 2613 gallons, and (*c*) 8430 units.

MR. E. P. VARGHESE : May I know what is this petrol for ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : It is for the Dewan's cars at Bhaktivilas.

Statement by caste of convicts in the Central Prison.

59. ***MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*) : Will the Government he pleased to lay on the table a statement by caste of convicts in the Central Prison as it stood on 1-1-1113, 1-1-1112 1-1-1111 and 1 1-1110 with special reference to the chapters of the Penal Code and the offences under which they were convicted ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : The †statement is laid on the table.

Grant-in-aid Ayurvedic Vaidyasalas in the taluks of Minachil and Todupuzha.

60. ***MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI** (*Minachil* cum *Todupuzha*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) how many grant-in-aid Ayurvedic vaidyasalas there are in the taluks of Minachil and Todupuzha ;

(*b*) whether they have received any more applications from vaidyans for grant-in-aid and if so how many from each taluk ; and

(*c*) whether any action has been taken on them ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : (*a*) Seven.

(*b*) Yes. From Minachil, 7 and from Todupuzha, 2.

(*c*) They are under enquiry by the Inspector of Ayurveda.

Graduates from the Veerasaiva community.

61. ***MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN** (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*) : Will the Goverument be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of graduates from the Veerasaiva community who have applied for appointments in the various departments ; and

(*b*) the number among them who have been appointed ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : It is not possible to furnish the information as the period has not been specified.

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